



## 2015 “Outstanding Youth Award Scholarships” Program Nominations Extended to February 26

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Citizens are invited to help celebrate some of the “Good News” about York County’s high school aged youth by nominating a deserving student for one of the County’s four (4) \$500 Outstanding Youth Award Scholarships sponsored each year by the Board of Supervisors and the Youth Commission. Nominations in the categories of **Community Service, Compassion, Courage** and **Overall Achievement** will be received at the Parks, Recreation and Tourism office by the extended date of Thurs., February 26, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

Parents, grandparents, teachers, counselors, coaches, club sponsors, neighbors, employers, youth ministers, scout leaders, friends and literally anyone else can nominate a deserving high school student for one of these awards. Nominees must be residents of York County and currently enrolled in grades 9 – 12 in a public, private or homeschool. A Selection Committee will review the nominations and choose an award recipient for each category. The four award recipients will each receive one of the educational scholarships and will be formally recognized with their families and nominators at a May 2015 reception in their honor and at a Board of Supervisors meeting immediately following.

The Board of Supervisors will also send a letter and signed certificate by early May to *all* other nominees to congratulate them on their nomination and to inform them of their nominator. By taking a little time to nominate someone you can show them that you care and that their character and accomplishments are appreciated.

Nomination forms and complete program details are best available by downloading them from the York County Youth Commission’s Web site at [www.ycyc.info](http://www.ycyc.info). Hard copies of the nomination forms are also available at the Yorktown and Tabb Libraries, Williamsburg-James City County Libraries, and the Parks, Recreation and Tourism office at 100 County Drive.

Please call the Parks, Recreation and Tourism (PRT) office at 890-3500 with any questions regarding this program.



**Photo Attached:**

“Nominations for one of York County’s 2015 Outstanding Youth Awards and \$500 educational scholarships will be received by the extended due date of February 26. Citizens may nominate a deserving high school student (grades 9-12) residing in York County for one of the following award categories: Community Service, Compassion, Courage and Overall Achievement. Nomination forms with complete program details may be downloaded from the York County Youth Commission’s website at [www.ycyc.info](http://www.ycyc.info). Questions about the program will be answered by calling the York County Parks, Recreation and Tourism office at 890-3500. Shown above are the 2014 award recipients following their recognition at a May 2014 Board of Supervisors meeting and a dinner reception held in their honor with their families and nominators. From left to right: Owen Robinson (Community Service), Gabrielle Patrick (Compassion), Erin Baxley (Courage), and Kiran Bagalkotkar (Overall Achievement).